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For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR	)	
EXTRACTING LIQUID SAMPLES	)	

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The Examiner's attention is called to Cite A6, German patent No. DE 32 49 399, where because of unavailability of a translation, the corresponding U.S. patent No. 4,689,306 is provided. Both patents are based on International Application No. PCT/SU82/00012

Regarding Cite A8, German patent No. DE 297 05 206, pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. 1.98(3)(1), enclosed is a concise explanation of the degree of relevance of the patent to the present application.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), in that a first Office Action on the merits of the present patent application has not yet been mailed to Applicants.

Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

No fee is believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
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	A1	4,501,161	02/26/85	Endo, et al.	73	863.24	
	A2	5,948,998	09/07/99	Witte, et al.	73	864.14	
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
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	A3	FR 2 617 286	12/30/88	Commissariat Energie Atomique	Yes		
	A4	FR 2 647 213	11/23/90	Centre National De La Recherche Scientifique	Yes		
	A5	DE 195 30 886	10/02/96	Institut für Bioprozess und Analysenmesstechnik	Yes		
	A6	DE 32 49 399	03/22/84	Institut Biokhimii I Fiziologii Mikroorganizmov Akademii Nauk SSR	Yes		
	A7	DE 44 07 439	01/25/95	Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH	Yes		
	A8	DE 297 05 206	07/10/97	Institut für Bioprozess und Analysenmesstechnik	Yes		
	A9	EP 357 998	03/14/90	Kablau Hochdruck-Armaturen Mente GmbH.	Yes		
	A10	EP 0 165 801	12/27/85	Kyowa Hakko Kogyo Co., Ltd.	Yes		
	A11	EP 1 116 509	07/18/01	Bran & Lübe GmbH	Yes		
	A12	WO 99/40175	08/12/99	Alberta Research Council	Yes		
	A13	JP 06 098758	04/12/94	Agency of Ind. Science & Technology – Patent Abstracts of Japan, vol. 0183, No. 67 (C-1223).	Yes		
	A14	JP 60 219539	11/02/85	Rikagaku Kenkyusho – Patent Abstracts of Japan, vol. 0100, No. 84 (p-442)	Yes		
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